

## **State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations**

### **Public Utilities Commission**

#### **Minutes of Open Meeting Held on November 29, 2001**

**Attendees:** Chairman Elia Germani, Commissioner Kate Racine, Commissioner Brenda Gaynor, Steve Frias, Cindy Wilson, Thomas Massaro, Alan Nault and Luly Massaro.

**Chairman Germani called the open meeting to order at 2:00 PM in the first floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission. A quorum was present.**

#### **Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (CLECs):**

2872 - ACC Telecommunications LLC d/b/a Adelphia Business Solutions

2618 - AT&T Communications of NE, Inc.

The above CLECs submitted tariff revisions. After review, the Commission followed the Division's recommendation that the tariff filings be allowed to go into effect without suspension.

#### **Competitive Switchless Resellers (CSRs):**

2262(G16) - NYNEX Long Distance Co. d/b/a Verizon Enterprises Solutions

2262(F16) - Bell Atlantic Communications, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Long Distance

The above CSRs registered to operate in RI. The Division has reviewed the registrations and recommends approval. After review, Commissioner Racine moved to approve the registrations. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

2262(G) - One Call Communications, Inc.

2262(V5) - BellSouth Long Distance, Inc.

The above CSRs submitted tariff revisions. The Division has reviewed the tariff filings and does not recommend suspension. After review, the Commission followed the Division's recommendation that the tariff filings be allowed to go into effect without suspension.

#### **Interexchange Carriers (IXCs):**

3403 - AT&T Communications of NE, Inc.

The above IXC submitted tariff revisions. The Division has reviewed the filing and does not recommend suspension. After review, the Commission followed the Division's recommendation that the tariff filing be allowed to go into effect without suspension.

#### **Verizon RI Interconnection Agreements (ICAs):**

3398 - ICA entered with A.R.C. Networks, Inc.

3397 - ICA entered with IG2, Inc.

The above ICAs were submitted for approval. The Division has reviewed the ICAs and recommends approval. After review, Commissioner Gaynor moved to approve the ICAs. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Racine and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

**3030 - Valley Gas Co./Bristol & Warren Gas Co.:** The Company filed a Motion for Extension of the Low Income Supplemental Plan and to reduce the surcharge it collects to fund the plan from \$0.0364 per Mcf to \$0.0336 per Mcf for the period December 1, 2001 - November 30, 2002. The Company represented that the Division supports the motion. After review, Commissioner Racine moved to approve the motion. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

**3121 - Woonsocket Water Division ("WWD"):** WWD filed a Motion for Relief From Order seeking that it be permitted to change the hours of service to water trucks from Monday-Saturday, 8 AM to 4 PM to Monday-Friday, 8:45 AM to 3:45 PM due to safety and security concerns. The Division filed an objection to the motion.

Commissioner Racine noted that WWD cited security issues due to the September 11, 2001 tragedy. The security issue was fully addressed at the hearing and the Division stated that tank truck frequency would cause a greater presence site to ensure vigilance. Mr. Marvel during the hearing stated that there had never been an act of terrorism at Woonsocket Water. After review, Commissioner Racine moved to deny the motion. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

**2802 - Island Hi-Speed Ferry LLC ("IHSF"):** IHSF filed a request for extension of time to file its compliance report on the company's financial information and results of operations for the year 2001. The report is due not later than November 30, 2001. After review, Commissioner Racine moved to grant IHSF's motion for extension of time to file its compliance report to not later than January 15, 2002. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gaynor and unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

The Commissioners extend their congratulations to Ms. Terri O'Brien for her appointment to Vice President of Regulatory Affairs in Rhode Island for Verizon RI. The Chairman closed the open meeting with a moment of silence in memory of the CIA operative killed in combat in Afghanistan. The open meeting adjourned at 2:13 P.M.